

## HEARING ON 6-CENT FARE SCHEDULED FOR TONIGHT

Committee on Streets Will Probe Claims of V. R. & P. Company for Increase.

**STATE RAISES ASSESSMENT**  
Corporation Commission Fixes Tax Total at \$71,764.12 or \$8,213.04 More Than Last Year—Other Levies Are Announced.

Members of the City Council's Committee on Streets will consider the application of the Virginia Railway and Power Company for an increase in street car fares at a special meeting, which will be held at 8 o'clock tonight. The public generally has been invited to be present, and various views are expected to be expressed regarding the question of increased fares. The company is asking for a 6-cent fare, with an addition of 2 cents for transfers. The last meeting at which the committee considered the subject, it went on record as desiring to make a physical valuation of the company's properties and a complete audit of its books for several months past. The company was asked to be prepared to state the reasons for its demand, or not, it would be willing to pay the cost of such an investigation made by experts.

**Taxes Are Increased.**  
In connection with the proposed investigation much has been said in regard to the valuation set on the company's properties for purposes of taxation. This matter has just been denied by the State Corporation Commission. The taxes on the company, which have been assessed for the year 1919, are as follows: The Virginia Railway and Power Company, \$71,764.12; increase, \$8,213.04. The Norfolk and Western Railway, \$1,477.77; increase, \$1,324.19. The Norfolk and Western Railway, \$1,477.77; increase, \$1,324.19. The Norfolk and Western Railway, \$1,477.77; increase, \$1,324.19.

**Will Probe Proceeds.**  
Members of the City Council express themselves as desirous of knowing how much of the proceeds of the Virginia Railway and Power Company in Richmond in the early part of the year have gone for the payment of dividends and extensions. Prior to February 14 an ordinary passenger traveled on the tickets for 10 cents and school children's tickets were for 5 cents and school children's tickets were for 5 cents.

It has been estimated that the increase granted the company amounted to \$240,000 a year. At a recent meeting of the Committee on Streets one member of the committee estimated that the new increase if granted would add an additional \$240,000 to the city's income. However, the committee view that it would be less. One said it would be under \$100,000 and another said it would be about \$200,000. Company officials have informed the committee that in other cities similar increases have been granted that there has been a falling off in travel of about 12 per cent. This has to be figured against the gain from increased fares.

## DEMAND AUDITING SYSTEM FOR COUNTY TREASURERS

Surety Companies Threaten to Reduce Bonds and Raise Premiums Unless Fines Paid.

Surety companies bonding the city and county treasurers of the State have recently had representatives here in conference with State Accountant Frank Smyth, and have urged that the State adopt some regular system of auditing the books of the treasurers. Their representatives declared that these companies in the last few years have been hit for no less than \$150,000 because of defalcations on the part of these officers. It is stated that within the last few days Prince George County has been paid \$25,000 because of a shortage of a former treasurer of that county.

The bond companies now declare that unless the State adopts a system of auditing the books of the treasurers at regular intervals they will have to demand a large increase in the amount of premiums on which they are to insure the amount of the bonds on which they are to insure.

## STOCK OF MORPHINE STOLEN

Federal Agents Probe Theft of "Dope" From Bait Drug Store.

Investigation is being made by Federal agents of the theft of \$50 worth of morphine from the bait drug store, at 229 East Broad Street. The robbery took place some time Tuesday night. The thief entered through a trap door in the roof of the building, descended on a rope made of several counterpoises and sheets, which had been removed from a room in Dickson's Hotel, at 223 East Broad Street. At the hotel it was stated that a young man on Tuesday night first rented room seven on the third floor, but returned, saying it was not satisfactory. There was only one bed in the room, and the man was asked to go to another room. He was given room No. 11, on the second floor. This room contained several beds, and was from this room that the bed covering was removed. Nothing but opiate was disturbed, and this leads to the belief that more "dope" funds were concerned in the robbery.

## FLU RULES PUT IN EFFECT

Director Levy Confers With School Principals on Methods to Avert Epidemic.

Director of Public Welfare Levy announced yesterday that he had held a conference with the principals of the public schools and that the whole matter of influenza prevention work had been gone over. The new rules adopted by the City Health Bureau, which schools are already in effect, others will not be put into effect until there should be an outbreak of influenza. At present no one is willing to prophesy whether the year will be a bad one for influenza. The year was not so bad as the year 1918, but it was not so good as the year 1917. The year 1918 was a bad one for influenza, and the year 1917 was a good one for influenza.

## Dentists Announce Delegates

Drs. J. A. Alexander, H. C. Morgan, R. B. Byrnes, J. A. C. Morgan, J. M. Lewis will attend the National Dental Association, which will be held in New Orleans, October 20 to October 24. Dr. H. C. Morgan and Dr. R. B. Byrnes are delegates from Virginia to the national meeting. Dr. H. C. Morgan is also attending the meeting of the Association of Dental Faculties, which also meets in New Orleans. Dr. J. M. Lewis is the delegate from the Virginia State Board of Dental Examiners, which also convenes in New Orleans.

Visiting Son Here.  
Mrs. A. G. Neal of Keyville, Va., is in the city visiting her son, Edward Neal, who is at St. Luke's Hospital, where he was operated on Friday. His condition is reported favorable.

## Today and Tonight in Richmond

Meeting of Richmond Advertisers' Club at Business Men's Club at 1.  
Luncheon at Jefferson Hotel by John Marshall Student Association for memorial fund.  
First fall meeting of Woman's Association of Richmond at Y. W. C. A. at 2:30.  
Howitzers' Association meets at Howitzers' Armory at 8.  
Public hearing on petition of Virginia Railway and Power Company for increase in fares before Council Committee on Streets at 8.  
Virginia section of American Chemical Society meets at University Club at 8:30.  
Lyric-Vaudeville, 3, 8, 9:30.  
Academy of Music—"Under Orders"; drama.

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## PREPARE FOR ROOSEVELT MEMORIAL OBSERVANCE

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## REQUEST RICHMOND WOMAN TO ACT AS SHIP'S SPONSOR

Mrs. John Davis Edwards to Christen Vessel Which Will Be Named After Dead Husband.

Mrs. John Davis Edwards, formerly of Richmond, has been requested by the Navy Department to act as sponsor for the destroyer Edwards, now being constructed at Philadelphia. The destroyer will be christened for Mrs. Edwards' husband, who lost his life in European waters when a United States destroyer burned.

The Edwards family lived in Highland Park in 1917. Mrs. Edwards was Mrs. Mac Marshall before her marriage. She has three children. They are John Davis Edwards, Jr., and little Misses Mae and Sidna Pritchett Edwards.

Lieutenant Edwards lived in Newport News most of his life. He was one of the best-known amateur athletes on the Virginia Peninsula. He enlisted in the navy as a private. He made his way up to senior lieutenant and was to have been made lieutenant commander and placed in charge of a ship.

## PLAN NEW BANK BUILDING

Bank of Commerce and Trusts Will Erect New Home for South Richmond Branch.

Property now occupied by Nunnally & Bro., 1123 Hull Street, has been bought by the Bank of Commerce and Trusts of Richmond. The new bank building, when completed, will be modern in every respect and will be the handsomest bank building in Richmond. It is outside of the main banking district on the north side of the river.

The new building of the South Side branch of the Bank of Commerce and Trusts will represent an outlay of approximately \$75,000. Modern improvements called for in the specifications include a large fire and burglar-proof vault, as well as between 400 and 500 safety deposit vaults.

## PROPOSE TO EXTEND TRADE

Chamber of Commerce Will Hold Banquet for Traveling Men in December.

Plans to extend the trade of Richmond were discussed at a meeting of the executive committee of the trade extension bureau of the Richmond Chamber of Commerce yesterday afternoon. After various views had been expressed it was decided to tender a banquet to the traveling salesmen of Richmond business houses and to discuss with them the question of advancing the city's business interests and connections in its tributary district. The banquet will be held some time in December and 500 men are expected to attend.

Those who were present at the meeting were: B. Sydnor, W. W. Dabney, W. B. Broadbent, Harry Marks, J. H. Felthaus, J. E. Massie and C. W. Dugan.

## Advocate Early Closing.

Members of the Retail Clerks' Association have decided to start a campaign to arouse public sentiment in favor of closing stores early, and for this purpose the chairman of the association, C. C. Crozier, has appointed M. B. Angle, A. P. Gwynn, L. C. Perkins and P. C. Buckley on a committee to secure a banner which will be displayed across Broadway between Sixth and Seventh Streets. Other means of advertising was also discussed at the meeting.

## To Sell Confiscated Car.

In pursuance of an order given out by the Hustings Court yesterday, the Chandler car confiscated by Policemen Haake and Frayer will be sold at public auction on November 6. The car is alleged to have been used for the purpose of illegal transportation of whiskey. L. C. Morgan claims the automobile, and has furnished bond for \$1,000 on the car.

## Rye Defeated Daly.

In an evenly matched play last night during a billiard tournament at the Grand Parlor, Rye defeated Daly by a score of 100 to 86. Rye leading during the last part of the match. The game was the last play. Tonight Williams will meet Bass.

## Howitzers to Meet.

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## ACADEMY—Tonight and Saturday

Matinee Saturday  
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PRICES: Night, 50c to \$1.50.  
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## A NEW TALE OF A WAYSIDE INN

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## MAKING PLANS FOR FAIR IN CHESTERFIELD COUNTY

Home Demonstration Work Will Be Featured by Advisory Committee.

## MRS. A. J. HURT IS CHAIRMAN

Special Exhibits of Canning by Girls and Homemade Fireless Cookers Will Be Shown to Visitors Next Week.

Emphasis will be laid on home demonstration work at the Chesterfield County Fair this year, which begins October 23. Heretofore the home demonstration work in the county has meant mainly the preservation of the surplus crops of farm and garden. Now the work has broadened until it covers not only this phase, but also the study of conditions on the farm and in the home and health problems all come up for consideration and discussion at the club meetings.

An advisory committee has just been formed under the